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Country of Origin Labeling Program  
Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA  
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Dear Agricultural Marketing Service:

I am writing to let you know that I support the Country of Origin Labeling guidelines which are currently voluntary and to become mandatory in September 2004. The guidelines requiring all fish to be labeled as wild-caught or farm-raised and by country of origin is important for consumers to be able to make educated decisions about the food they choose to eat and allows consumers to make responsible choices for a sustainable future. Knowing whether a fish is wild or farmed and what country it comes from allows us to trace production methods. This is beneficial for consumers. Thank you for taking the time to address this letter.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Annear Jr.